

## ABSTRACT

Provided herein is a female hormone-containing patch wherein an active ingredient is highly soluble in a pressure-sensitive adhesive layer and the active ingredient is not adsorbed to a backing, and the patch per se can follow the irregularities on the skin surface or body movements. The patch is an external patch containing, as a female hormone, a follicular hormone estradiol and/or its derivative or a progestational hormone norethisterone and/or its derivative. The external patch comprises an acrylic pressure-sensitive adhesive containing 0.01 to 1% by weight of an isocyanate-based crosslinking agent as an essential ingredient.